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Dear Michelle,

This letter is in response to your June 5, 2008, letter of inquiry regarding the April Quarterly Report (1/1/08 – 3/31/08) for Friends of John Thune (C00409581). We have reviewed our records supporting the above-referenced report and provide the following additional information in response to your questions:

Commission Regulations define the term “purpose” to mean a brief statement or description of why a disbursement was made: I have changed the purpose for each of the disbursement noted on the attached Amended Report to help clarify the reason for the disbursement. Each change has been highlighted in yellow.

Contributions to other committees or charitable organizations are not operating expenditures. These amounts should be disclosed on Line 21 of the Detailed Summary Page information: I have changed the attached amended report and have enclosed the Detailed Summary Pages. The disbursement is now shown on Line 21 of the report. The changes on the Summary Pages have been highlighted in yellow.

Contributions from individuals and person other than political committees must be itemized when the aggregate total from the contributor exceeds \$200 in an election cycle. This means the committee does not have a reporting requirement of a contribution until the aggregate total exceeds the \$200 threshold: As per our phone conversation on June 9, 2008, this item is no longer an issue and will not be addressed in this letter.

We trust this information answers your questions. If you have any further questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 605/376-3437.

Sincerely,

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